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TOMATO PACKERS

Say Situation Confronting Them This Year is Grave

HARD TO ESTIMATE DEMAND

Tomato packers of Maryland, New Jersey and Delaware have recently made representations to the War Department concerning the grave situation confronting them. It is claimed by the packers that the past season proved unprofitable to them because of the demoralization of the market due to the vast supplies of canned goods, particularly tomatoes, thrown upon the market by the War Department as "surplus" after the armistice was declared, and, in some sections, particularly on the Eastern Shore and in Delaware, the canners have refused to make contracts for acreage with the farmers for the coming season because they have been unable to form an estimate of the demand for the next pack.

On the other hand, the farmers have stood out for prices which the packers regard as impossible. The result has been a situation so unsettled that the outlook for the next season is disquieting both to the packer and to the farmer.

This situation promises to be greatly relieved so far, at least, as the packer is affected, by a statement which has just been completed by both the War and the Navy Departments, showing the amount of canned tomatoes on hand by both departments and how much of it will be thrown on the market in competition with the packers' goods.

According to this tabulation the War Department has an amount equal to only about 200,000 cans of No. 3 size, an amount which the packers may regard as almost negligible.

The amount of canned tomatoes held by the Navy which might possibly come upon the market, is equal to about 40,000 cans No. 3 size so that the total amount of government cans of tomatoes will not exceed 240,000 cans No. 3 size. This amount is so insignificant as compared with the annual consumption of canned tomatoes that the packers will feel justified in making immediate preparation for a full season's pack if they can come to an understanding on price with the growers.

The complete statement of the departments or the amount of goods which may be sold to the public is as follows:

War Department—On surplus consignment list No. 6, 700,000 cans of tomatoes No. 2, 100,000 cans of tomatoes No. 10 stored in Philadelphia.

On surplus subsistence list No. 7, 2,800,000 cans of tomatoes No. 3 stored at Baltimore; 120,000 cans of tomatoes No. 10 stored at Boston; 60,000 cans of tomatoes No. 10, stored at Charleston, S. C.

Equals 200,000 No. 3 cases. On surplus subsistence list No. 8 (to be issued), about 1,300,000 cans of tomatoes No. 2 stored at Atlanta, Ga.

The Navy had on March 1, 1920, 700,000 pounds of tomatoes in New York; 90,000 pounds of tomatoes in California; 50,000 pounds of tomatoes in Washington and 20,000 pounds of tomatoes in Norfolk.

All of the above tomatoes reduced to the commercial No. 3 cans equals 240,000 cases.

New Professors At College

L. R. Detjen has been appointed professor of Horticulture in Delaware College and G. L. Schuster has been appointed agronomist in the Agricultural Experiment Station and professor of Agronomy in Delaware College. Professor Detjen is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, class of 1909, and since that time has been connected with the North Carolina State College in Horticulture. Professor Schuster is a graduate of Ohio State University, class of 1915, receiving his Master's degree there two years later. His chief work has been at the University of West Virginia in Agronomy. Professor Schuster succeeds Professor A. E. Grantham, resigned, and Professor Detjen takes over the work of Dr. Partridge and, in addition, relieves Dean McCue of some of the teaching in Horticulture. It is expected that both of these men will begin their work on April 1.

Call and see the exclusive Easter Hats at the Bon-Ton Hat Shop. They are distinctive and different. MISSES DUKES & MELSON.

Car Side-swiped

While driving from Summit Bridge to Middletown, last Sunday afternoon the Rev. Ivanhoe Willis, pastor of St. Georges M. E. Church and four other occupants of a Ford car were overtaken at Mt. Pleasant, when another car "side-swiped" their auto throwing all of the occupants out but fortunately none of them were injured.

The Rev. Willis and the other occupants of the car were brought to Middletown and after receiving medical aid proceeded on their way to St. Georges.

We pay the HIGHEST CASH PRICE for WHEAT and CORN on order, loaded on rail and water at ANY POINT. Phone 5 and 41. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

GARMENT OF PINK

The following clipping from one of the big dailies of Atlanta, Ga., was sent us by a former Middletown boy, Mr. Robert T. Cochran, son of Mrs. M. H. Cochran:

MACON, GA., MARCH 21.—Within a week the peach trees in the Fort Valley belt will be decked in the fluffiest of fluffy pink ruffles, the sight being one which many people are willing to travel miles to see. All that is now needed to make the buds burst forth is a little sunshine.

The report has been circulated that the Houston county peaches for 1920 were hurt by the cold and not in so good a condition as neighboring fruit, but investigation fails to bear out that report. On the other hand, the rain of last week has been sufficient to wash the buds and all they appear to be waiting for is the signal of light that they may open their eyes so all the world may see.

The peach growers are thankful that the rains of last week fell just when they did. Had the blossoms been in full bloom the rains would have proved injurious to the fruit prospects, because the pollen would have been washed from the bloom.

Robert T. Cochran, of New York City, a prominent commission merchant was in Fort Valley last week, en route home from Florida. He says the outlook for a splendid crop of peaches is fine.

If beauty lovers are seeking the desires of their heart and eyes they will be turning their steps or their steering wheels, as the case may be, toward Fort Valley and the peach section in the next few days to behold the wonder.

State Has Plenty of Money

Revenue received by the State Department of Delaware for the first two months of this year was as follows: Received from all sources, January and February, \$697,671.27; of this amount \$440,812.07 was revenue from charters alone. Fees received by the State Department for January and February amounted to \$23,413.20. Amount received from automobile licenses for the two months, \$223.18. The entire revenue received from all sources for the year 1919 by the State Department was \$1,051,599.14, including \$286,334 for automobile licenses, and \$39,866.30 from fees.

Freight Rates To Jump

Railroad freight rates will be increased from 20 to 25 per cent. September 1, when the financial provisions of the new railroad law becomes effective. Practically all estimates made by railway men and government authorities on the effect of the fixed return provisions of the new law run between these figures. This means a general freight rate increase that will aggregate about \$200,000,000 a year in additional revenue for the railroads.

Read the Middletown Opera House program for the coming week on another page of this paper.

The Best of Reasons.

The cartoonist who, the other day, pictured "Wonder What a Prince Thinks About?" probably wasn't far wrong when he showed his subject rather bored with what he had to go through. Apropos, the story is told of a young prince of the Orient making many friends on the steamer which bore him to England, so that at the conclusion of the voyage these friends arranged a dinner in his honor in London. It was a smart affair and a fashionable company, but the prince did not put in an appearance.

The following morning the chairman of the committee asked him why he hadn't shown up. "I wasn't hungry," the prince answered simply and calmly.—Boston Transcript.

Dead Towns Awaken.

Dead towns of the West are coming to life as a result of the silver boom. There were towns in Colorado and Nevada and Arizona, which, under the influence of silver in those days after the Civil war, burst into wild, rich life that has no parallel in history.

Clouds of dust are rising along the trails that lead across sagebrush plains. The mining engineer, present-day successor of the prospector and his burro, is astride in the silver country. They are going back to the old shafts that yielded wealth when silver was above a dollar. With the advance in mining processes in the last four decades the chances of profits are many times multiplied.

Keeps Windows Free From Frost. In these days, when Jack Frost is busy drawing pictures on the windows, many beautiful works appear over night, but when he completely covers the glass, he is not so welcome. The Russians have a very effective way of preventing the obscuring of the windows by frost. In Russia the walls of the buildings are very thick, and double windows are fitted to the houses, set about 13 inches apart. The window sill between the outer and inner windows is decorated with bright green moss, and hidden there is a dish filled with calcium chloride, which absorbs all the moisture and thus effectually prevents the formation of ice during the long, cold winter.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Many Condensed News Items of the Past Week

IN THIS AND NEARBY POINTS

Spring, according to the almanac, began on Sunday, March 21.

The monthly meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association was held in the school building, Friday afternoon, March 26th.

The regular monthly meeting of the Queen Esther Circle was held at the home of Miss Sarah Kates, last (Friday) evening.

Thieves broke into Keith's Garage, Smyrna, Wednesday night and got off with an Overland car, some tires and other equipment.

Seven hundred herring were caught at Easton last week and it is thought they will soon be running in Cecil county, Md., rivers.

The dance given on March 17, in the Y. M. C. A. building, at Fort duPont, for the benefit of the Delaware City Free Library netted \$77.

The Susquehanna was frozen near its mouth from Tuesday, December 9, until Friday, March 12, in all 95 days, the record period for continuous stoppage of navigation.

Fruit growers of Blackbird Hundred are reported to have found that the trees stood the long winter well and barring later frosts look for a good yield this year.

The Aurora Borealis or Northern lights which attracted so much attention Monday night, were plainly visible here and viewed by a number in town. The display continued long after midnight.

Chesapeake City residents are beginning to fear the enlargement of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal will not be of any benefit to them, as probably none of the passing steamers will stop at that town.

Former State Senator Harvey Hoffer, of White Clay Creek hundred, has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for Prothonotary of New Castle. He is making an active canvass.

The ladies of the M. P. Church, of Sassafraz, Md., will hold an entertainment in the J. O. U. A. M. hall on Thursday, April 1st, at 8 o'clock. Ice cream and cake for sale. Admission, adults, 30c; children, 15c.

Pleasant Summit W. C. T. U. will hold the next meeting at Mrs. Regina Hopkins on Thursday afternoon, April 1st. A full attendance is desired as the first of a series of entertainments will be given on that afternoon.

So far this week we have had delightful spring days. With the opening of spring there is much activity in farming and in the various business interests of our town. Roads and drying up and the long winter spell is passing into history.

Eggs are plentiful in this section and are selling at the local stores at from thirty-seven to forty cents a dozen. Poultry raisers are complaining of the price for eggs when compared with the price of feed and some of them are expected to raise fewer chickens this year.

Trains on the Pennsylvania Railroad will be operated on a regular schedule regardless of the daylight saving ordinances passed by the various cities. Announcement to this effect was made Saturday from the company's main offices in Philadelphia and as a result the ordinances recently passed by Philadelphia City Council and Wilmington City Council will in all probability be repealed.

"Checkers," the greatest racing story in the world will be the attraction at the Opera House next Thursday evening.

Flax For Peninsula Crop

A Wilmington special dated Sunday, says the Chesapeake Flax and Linen Corporation has been organized in Delaware to foster the growing of flax on the Peninsula which, it is claimed, can be readily grown on this Peninsula and will yield larger returns than any of the regular crops. It is planned, it is said, to start a linen plant at Elk Mills, Cecil County, Md., and later another in Delaware and increase such plants, if the suggested new crop finds favor with the farmers. It is said that much interest has been aroused in the suggestion of flax-growing at recent Delaware farmers' institutes.

Invitations Issued

Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Robinson have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Nora Lavinia to Mr. Isaac Green Cleaver, Saturday afternoon, April 3d, at their home near Mt. Pleasant, Del.

Do not miss seeing "Checkers" with an all-star cast, next Thursday evening, April 1st, at the Opera House.

STATE AND PENINSULA

New Castle streets will be repaired as soon as the \$25,000 bond issue is authorized.

A bill has been introduced in the Maryland legislature to increase the marriage license fee in that State from \$1 to \$2.

The season for hunting muskrats in Kent county, which will close on April 1, has been the most profitable in the history of the business.

The Wilmington city tax collectors have taken in more than \$1,500,000 in the eight months in which they have been in office, already exceeding the total for last year.

The Legislature will be asked to amend the charter of Seaford to make it necessary for all citizens to pay their taxes 30 days previous to the town election to entitle them to a vote.

Levy Court Tuesday announced that the original estimate of \$25,000 for rebuilding the Baltimore & Ohio bridge over the Brandywine in Wilmington will have to be increased to \$61,000.

The steamer Frederica of the Philadelphia-Fredonia passenger and freight line has been taken to Wilmington for overhauling and painting before the beginning of the season which generally commences on April 1.

Five crates of live quail were received last Friday by Joshua Clayton, Secretary of the Cecil County, Md., Game Protective Association, for re-stocking. The birds 240 in number, will be liberated in various sections of the county. They were sent to Mr. Clayton by the State Game Warden.

Forest Church Notes

Sunday, March 28th, 1920. 10.30 A. M. Public Worship with sermon.

11.45 A. M. Sunday School session. 6.45 P. M. Christian Endeavor service. Topic: "Our Country's Need of Christ." Acts 4:1-12; Rom. 10:12-15. Our special services are now being held and will continue through all of next week. Every member of the church is urged to attend as many of these services as possible. Let us consecrate this time especially to the spiritual welfare of our church.

The pastor's class will meet on Saturday afternoons, in the library room, at 3 o'clock, for the instruction of those intending to unite with the church.

Next Sunday will be the last opportunity to contribute, this church year—to the Benevolent Boards of the church. Everyone is requested to see that all pledges are made good.

The treasurers of all the societies of the church are requested to hand their reports to the pastor as soon as possible.

Odessa Church Notes

DRAWERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday, March 28th, 1920. 9.45 A. M. Sunday School session. 10.30 A. M. Regular morning service with sermon by the Pastor.

6.30 P. M. Christian Endeavor and song service. Topic: "Our Country's Need of Christ," Acts 4:1-12, Romans 10:12-15. Mrs. Dilworth Vandegrift, leader.

7.00 P. M. Evening service with sermon. The children of the Sunday School are practicing every day for Easter and are doing nicely.

A social will be held in the church in the near future. All the members of the Church, Sunday School and friends are invited to spend a pleasant evening with us. The date will be announced later. Everyone is invited to attend these services.

Conference in Session

The annual session of Wilmington M. E. Conference assembled Wednesday morning at Grace M. E. Church, Wilmington. The session was called to order by Bishop McDowell and an interesting session is anticipated. One of the questions to be discussed will be the attitude of the church toward its young people. Much interest will center in the election of four ministerial and four lay delegates to the General Conference which will meet at Des Moines, Iowa, in May. It is thought the usual custom will be followed by electing the district superintendents as ministerial delegates.

Bishop McDowell will probably make several changes in the pastorate, especially in the rural charges. Rev. V. P. Northrup is expected to be sent back to Bethesda M. E. Church, where he received an unanimous invitation to return.

OBITUARY

LAWRENCE W. METZ Mr. and Mrs. William J. Metz, of Chesapeake City, Md., mourn the loss of their young son, Lawrence W., who died on March 15, of grip and whooping cough, aged three years and four months.

His funeral was held on Wednesday, March 17, with interment in Bethel Cemetery.

FOR SALE—1000 Chestnut fence posts.

MRS. L. L. WILLIAMS, Middletown, Del.

FRIENDS & VISITORS

Personal Items About People You See and Know

THOSE THAT COME AND GO

Miss Louise Echenhofer, of Wilmington spent Sunday at her home here.

Misses Marian Pinder, Addie and Helen Dugan were Wilmington visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dugan and family spent Sunday with relatives in New Castle.

Miss Ada Scott, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Scott.

Miss Estella Beaton, of Wilmington, was entertained over the week-end by Miss Madeline Pennington.

Mr. Francis Pinder, of White Haven, Pa., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Pinder Monday.

Mrs. James Burris and son, of Wilmington, have been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Deibert and little daughter, of Elkton, Md., were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Kirk.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay LeFevre and children, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Charles Schuman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Crossland, of near Mt. Pleasant, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray S. Dickson, in Wilmington.

Miss Martha B. Green, of Philadelphia, who has been spending the past three weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Thomas Taylor, of near town, has returned home.

Mr. Percy S. Donaghy, son of Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Donaghy, has returned to the Donaldson School at Ilchester, Md., after spending the Easter vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson Merritt entertained on Thursday Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt, Sr., Mr. R. B. Merritt, Jr., of Warwick, and Mrs. Frank Bernard, of Kennett Square.

Miss Edith Jewell, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jewell, of near Mt. Pleasant, was taken to Union Hospital, Elkton, Monday, where she was operated on for appendicitis. We are glad to state that the patient is doing nicely.

Henry, the 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Howell, was taken to Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, Sunday, by Dr. E. M. Vaughn, and was operated on that evening for appendicitis. At this writing he is doing well, and we hope he may have a speedy recovery.

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Double Wedding

A double wedding was solemnized at McCabe M. E. Parsonage, Wilmington, on Monday afternoon, at two o'clock, by Rev. George C. Williams. The brides were Miss Mary A. and Miss Rena B., daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Staats, of Townsend. Miss Mary was united in marriage to Mr. Davis H. Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. C. Bell, of Smyrna, and was attired in a taupe velour traveling suit, with hat to match. Miss Rena was married to Mr. Dallas N. Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hart, Sr., of Townsend, and wore a suit of blue silvertone cloth, with blue hat. They carried bouquets of white roses.

The couples were attended by Mr. Avery Donovan, of near this town, and Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett, of Townsend.

Upon their return from a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Bell will reside in Smyrna and Mr. and Mrs. Hart in Townsend.

Dr. Louis Levinson, veterinarian. Graduate of University of Pennsylvania. Middletown, Del. Bell Phone 119. North Broad Street.

Farmers to Get Money

The New Castle county farmers whose land was condemned through Federal Court proceedings at Wilmington for war purposes in connection with the Port Penn loading plant will be reimbursed by the government, Representative Caleb R. Layton announced.

Newton D. Baker, Secretary of War, in a letter to Representative Layton, advised the Delaware Congressman that the government, under a recent ruling of the Comptroller of the Treasury would reimburse these farmers for the amounts as indicated in the bill which Representative Layton introduced in and had passed by the House, and is now before the Senate Committee on Claims.

Payment can be made to the various owners as soon as the necessary title papers can be prepared. The matter will receive the immediate attention of the real estate section of the War Department, acting in conjunction with the United States District-Attorney at Wilmington.

ODESSA

Mrs. Clarence Toppin, of Wilmington visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Long has returned from a trip to Wilmington relatives.

Mr. Harry Heller, of Chester, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Heller last week.

Mr. D. C. Asprill and family, of Wilmington, were guests of Mrs. Mame Davis on Sunday.

Miss Margaret Hutchison, of Townsend, was the guest of Miss Loleta Buckson last week.

Mrs. Verena Vinyard, of Warwick, visited her daughter, Mrs. Urie Ginn, near McDonough last week.

Mrs. Charles K. Gibson, of Northumberland, Pa., was the guest of her aunt, Miss Clara Ewell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lightcap and son, of Wilmington, were guests of Miss Mary Lightcap on Sunday last.

Rev. E. H. Derriekson is attending the Annual Conference of St. Paul's Church held in Wilmington this week.

A Parent-Teachers meeting will be held in the schoolhouse Wednesday afternoon, March 31st, at 2 P. M. All parents and friends are invited to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Orrell entertained on Sunday the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nowland, of Smyrna; Miss Ada Daniels, of Wilmington; and Miss Ethel Jarrell, of near St. Georges.

Rev. H. C. Shipley, of Wyoming, a former pastor, will preach both morning and evening in St. Paul's M. E. Church, Sunday School at 2 P. M., Epworth League at 6.45 P. M. Everybody come.

WARWICK

Mrs. John Price spent several days last week with Millington friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel King spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. King Sr.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. S. J. Duryea is still quite ill at her home near town.

Mrs. William Thornton and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lockerman were Galena visitors Sunday.

Mr. Charles Stearns returned to his home on Tuesday after being in Elkton Hospital for sometime.

Miss Eula Vinyard, of Delaware City was a week-end guest of her mother Mrs. Verena L. Vinyard.

Mrs. F. Bernard Jr. and son Merritt, of Kennett Square, Pa., are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt.

Miss Mayme Cullum has returned to her home in Laurel after spending sometime with her sister Mrs. L. P. King, Jr.

Mrs. William Vinyard returned home on Thursday last after spending several weeks with her son Mr. Jesse Vinyard at Carneys Point.

TOWNSEND

Mrs. James Wilson, of Smyrna, spent Tuesday in town.

Rev. Earl Shockley and wife, of Sherwood, were visitors in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Daniels visited her parents Harry Staats and family on Sunday.

Mrs. Stanward, of Wilmington, spent several days this week with Joseph Pritchard and family.

Daley Lockerman, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his parents, B. G. Lockerman and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Moore, of Elkton, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hart.

Mrs. Lena Burnham, of Kennedysville has returned home from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Joseph Pritchard.

Miss Hill was suddenly called home Monday owing to serious illness in her family. Miss Margaret Hutchison is acting as substitute for her.

Announcement cards have been received here of the marriage of one of the town boys, Mr. Irvin Wells to Miss Eva Mar Harrison on Monday, Mar. 15.

New Century Club Meeting

At the meeting of the New Century Club Tuesday afternoon \$10 was pledged for the Jewish Relief Fund. The program for the day was: Instrumental duet, Mrs. Roe Redgrave, Miss Allie McKee; reading, "Delaware," Mrs. C. A. Hoffecker; vocal solo, Mrs. Ethel P. Browne, "Fair Killarney Across the Sea;" clippings from Delaware State Magazine, Mrs. Richard Cann; heroism of a dog, Miss Ethel Brady. On Tuesday, March 30th, Mrs. Henry Ridgely will speak on "Responsibilities of Women, Yesterday and To-day."

Just received new shipment of Children's Trimmed Hats. \$1.98 to \$5.00. Worth double that. FOGEL'S

Guessford—Foord Wedding

John T. Guessford and Miss Pearl Foord, both of near Townsend, were married by the Rev. Van P. Northrup, at Bethesda M. E. Parsonage, last Friday evening, at seven o'clock. The couple will reside with the bride's parents near Townsend.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

Note on Palm Sunday and Holy Week

CRUCIFIXION ON GOOD FRIDAY

EPISCOPAL Sunday, March 28th, 1920. 6th Sunday in LENT. (Palm Sunday). Services: 10.30. Morning Prayer and Sermon.

11.45, Sunday School session. 7.30, Evening Prayer and address. Service on Wednesday evening, evening prayer and sermon, by the Rev. R. W. Trapnell, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, Del.

SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK Tuesday, 10.30, Ante Communion, with reading of Gospel.

Wednesday, 10.30, Ante Communion, with reading of Gospel.

7.30, Evening prayer and sermon, by the Rev. Richard W. Trapnell, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, Del.

Maundy-Thursdays, 10.30, Holy Communion.

Good Friday, 10.30, Morning prayer and sermon. 12 M.-3 P. M., three hour devotional service, with addresses on the Seven Last Words of our Saviour.

The Easter services will be given in these notes next week.

NOTE ON PALM SUNDAY AND HOLY WEEK "On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm-trees, and went forth to meet Him, and cried, Hosanna." St. John XII:12, 13.

Palm Sunday is the beginning of the Holy Week, in which our Saviour suffered. Its name commemorates His entry into Jerusalem, when the multitudes carried palm-branches, emblems of victory, in their hands, and the air was filled with shouts in his honor from the same voices that were soon to cry: "Away with Him! Crucify Him! They entered the holy city in triumph, and the children who marched in the procession chanted Hosanna to His praise when they reached the temple. The whole week is one of great solemnity, and the church calls her children together day by day to hear the story of His Passion; that with more awe, reverence, and humiliation we may approach the final day when His great sorrow was crowned, and His great sacrifice completed.

Wednesday before Easter we remember how Judas betrayed His Master, as on Friday we think of the Crucifixion. The memory of the traitor, selling

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HELP HONOR FRANCE

AMERICA is debtor to France for many signal benefits, ancient and modern, among others, for the artistic gift of her talented son, Bartholdi, whose world-famous "Statue of Liberty Enlightening the World" on Bedloe Island in New York harbor, confronts every visitor entering that port from home or from across the sea.

America is herein twice debtor to France; first, for the beauty of the compliment that our land in the eyes of the enthusiastic Frenchman, is properly honored as the one best fitted to lift aloft the emblematic "Torch of Liberty" for all the world to view, and America is also debtor to France for this renewal of her heartfelt sympathy for our finest ideals of freedom that a century and more ago prompted that noble soldier and patriot, Lafayette, to offer his sword to Washington and his country in their struggle for freedom.

America is now making a return gift to France, equally complimentary to the patriotism and valor of her sons, by erecting a superb monument in bronze by the American sculptor MacMonnies on the battlefield of the first Marne at the point which marks the high water rise in the late World War of this latest Hun invasion where the heroic French under Joffre and Gallieni, for the third time rescued the world from the barbarians.

It is one of the marvels of history that three times upon the soil of France Christian civilization has been saved, each time in whole or part by Frenchmen. First, at Chalons in 451 when the Franks and others under Aetius drove back Attila, "the Scourge of God," and saved Europe from the Huns. Second, at Tours, in 732 when the Franks under Charles Martel stayed the Saracen onrush and prevented Christian Europe from being trampled under the feet of the same bloody Mussulmen whose equally bloody descendants, the modern Turks, will be totally routed out of Europe unless as heretofore England's friendship can save them. Third, when in this same first battle of the Marne, the ever heroic French drove the Modern Huns back.

The cost of this artistic piece of bronze will be \$250,000.00, and the drive is now on for one week to raise the funds. It is hoped that every American scholar in our public schools will have the honor of sharing, if but a trifle, in the cost of the memorial.

Hope to Reclaim Burning Mine.
The fire which for more than twenty years has burned in the upper levels of the United Verde copper mine, near Jerome, Ariz., is about to be eliminated by a drastic process of lowering the entire surface of the property to a 400-foot level. All attempts to extinguish the fire have failed.

It is the general opinion that the fire was started by a slip in the rock producing sufficient friction heat to ignite the ores rich in sulphur. It has burned its way through veins of copper, gold and sulphur.

The process of suppressing the fire involves the removal of 14,000,000 cubic yards of material. The area to be excavated is roughly estimated at 400 by 800 feet. Monster steam shovels are to be employed in the work.

It is expected that the task of removing the entire top of the mine and to extinguish the fire will occupy several years.

Found Sponges Indigestible.
Boswell, Lake Merritt's popcorn peddler, died this morning when he mistook a sponge for his favorite diet and choked to death, reports an Oakland (Cal.) correspondent.

Boswell has been an attraction at the lake for several months. He had the freedom of the laws and wandered about the lake at will. Visitors discovered that he liked candied popcorn and bought it for him by the bagful. Gradually Boswell became a popcorn addict and eschewed nearly every other form of food.

This morning Boswell crossed Grand avenue to a gasoline service station. A sponge lay invitingly on the ground where some automobilist had dropped it after washing his machine. The sponge looked to Boswell like molasses popcorn. With a grin of anticipation he gulped it down. Ten minutes later he was a dead bird.

Another Slap at "Mere Man."
"Marriage is a desperate thing," said John Galsworthy back in the sixteenth century, and now it looks as if we of the twentieth century were doing our bit to make it still more desperate. A begowned dignitary over in Newark has decided (and unfortunately his decisions have legal weight) that the lesser portion of the marriage contract has no right to compensation for work performed in odd jobs around the house on his wife's property, such as carpentering and painting the fence, or washing the dishes, or getting up to warm the baby's milk when it begins to squall at 3 a. m.

These things must be done free. He ought to be glad to do them. And if the wife isn't able to persuade him of this the court will undertake to assist her.—Brooklyn Eagle.

BIG STRIDES IN WOOD CAMPAIGN

Support Coming From All Sections of the Country for His Presidential Nomination.

New York.—General Leonard Wood's campaign for the presidential nomination on the Republican ticket is gathering strength and momentum more rapidly than even his most ardent supporters believed would be possible this far in advance of the National Convention, June 8.

From an humble, informal beginning in the minds of a few of General Wood's friends and admirers a few



LEONARD WOOD.

months ago, the "Wood for President" movement has spread throughout the country and there is a nationwide demand for him as the next occupant of the White House to pilot the country through the trying days of readjustment which lie ahead.

General Wood's campaign managers are daily in receipt of the most gratifying reports from the thirty-five or more states in which there are flourishing and constantly increasing Leonard Wood Leagues. The movement is spreading so rapidly that General Wood's managers are working night and day to keep up with it. Not only are the states in which there are Wood organizations bubbling with enthusiasm over his prospective nomination, but from the native states of favorite sons, who are opposing General Wood, there continue to come the strongest and most sincere assurances that he is the popular choice of a majority of the voters. All the indications are that the people throughout the nation intend commanding him as their leader in the White House because of his remarkable record as an executive, his marvelous powers as an administrator, abundantly shown in Cuba, the Philippines and during the world war, and because of his frank and fearless stand on the paramount issues of the day.

Wood Against Field.

"It is a case of Wood against the field," said Congressman Norman J. Gould, eastern manager of General Wood's campaign. "General Wood has a commanding lead because of the great amount of personal, volunteer work done by his friends and admirers before the campaign committee came into existence. The support General Wood is receiving from voters all over the country clearly indicates that they will instruct their delegates to vote for him in the convention and that the number of delegates so instructed will be sufficient to give General Wood the nomination. There will be 94 votes in the convention. General Wood will have 300 pledged delegates when the convention opens, and will need only 183 more to get the nomination."

Following General Wood's victory in New Hampshire, the first state in the Union to hold a primary for the selection of delegates, Congressman W. W. Larkin, who is directing Wood's campaign in Massachusetts, said a careful canvass of New England showed practically every state in that section would support the general by sending delegates to the convention pledged to his nomination. Governor Miliken of Maine personally assured General Wood in Boston, recently, that that state was solidly for him.

Mr. Hitchcock's affiliating himself actively with the Wood campaign has brought strong support from the South for the general. Mr. Hitchcock has a host of friends and admirers in the South and they have been writing him many letters of congratulation on joining Wood and assuring him that the general will have many, if not all, of the Southern delegations in the convention with him.

Announcement is made by the Wood managers that they will put up an active fight for delegates in Ohio against Senator Harding and in Illinois against Governor Lowden. William Cooper Procter, national campaign manager for General Wood, has issued an unqualified denial that either General Wood or anyone connected with his candidacy will attempt to unseat Will Hays as chairman of the Republican National Committee after the national convention. This statement is official and is made in reply to baseless stories circulated by General Wood's opponents for the obvious purpose of stirring up trouble between the chairman of the Republican National Committee and General Wood.

Evenly Matched.
"You'd better be careful how you talk to that fellow."

"Why?" asked the rough looking individual.
"He's hardboiled."

"Don't worry. I'm a '10-minute' egg myself."

Fitting Decoration.

"Do the London firemen ever get the Order of the Garter?"

"Of course not. That's reserved for royalty."

"Well, they ought to. Aren't they knights of the hose?"

PADEREWSKI AT THE PIANO

Description of Great Master's Playing Well Called a Gem of Humorous Composition.

The death recently of Ed H. Smith recalled the humorous editorials which made his little newspaper, the Chula News, noted. The one which first drew attention to it follows:

"We heard the Polander, Paderewski, play the piano in Kansas City last night. The fellow is deceitful. He makes you think all the time that he is going to play a tune, but he never does. He flirts all around a tune, but never touches it. His hair looks like a wig, but it isn't. He deceives you in a hundred ways. He makes the sweetest sounds you ever heard that were not a tune. He has his piano so trained that the doggone thing will keep right on playing when he is not touching it. He reaches out slowly and strokes it, drawing back his elbows like a man brushing a girl's hair. You see the moonlight and you're there with your girl, but somehow she don't love you. We know the sorrow of that, and that's why we don't like Paderewski. There are troubles enough in the world without hearing Paderewski. A man don't want to feel like he had thrown the mutilated remains of his grandmother in the sewer. If this is Paderewski's last visit to America we're glad of it. But we wouldn't take \$100 for what we heard."

LOOKED AS IF HE KNEW

Good Reason Why Soldiers Urged Lieutenant to Take Military Policeman's Word for It.

A colored detachment under a white lieutenant was making its way through the shattered territory near Dunsmuir during the thick of the Argonne drive. At a crossroads it encountered a traffic-directing M. P. who halted the column.

"Sorry, sir," he said to the officer in charge. "You are not allowed up that road. We have information that it is about to be shelled by the enemy."

The officer carefully examined his orders. "My instructions read differently," he declared. "I cannot believe that this is the road to be shelled. Have you any verification?"

At this moment a shell burst within a hundred yards, tearing up the earth and sending debris flying in every direction. The entire landscape was obliterated, and a dead silence, broken only by the crash of falling stones, ensued. Then, out of a cloud of settling dust, arose one faint, terrified voice:

"Fo' Gawd's sake, lieutenant, please take de gemmun's word fo' it!"—The Home Sector.

Business Welcomes Radio Circuits.
With the new radio circuits in operation between America and the far East, it is comforting to know, even if one has infrequent occasion to communicate with Japan, Hawaii and the Philippines, that the new service is considered quite reasonably inexpensive. One may communicate with Manila from the California stations for 6 cents a word, and with Hawaii for 3. Even if the rates were higher, however, the new circuits would be welcomed by American business interests, for the development of trade, as well as the transmission of news, has been seriously handicapped by lack of facilities for communication. The United States will get a better news service in consequence, do more business, and may feel also, according to naval officers, that the national defense system has been strengthened at a weak point.—Christian Science Monitor.

IRASCIBLE MEN OF GENIUS

William Morris and Charles Reade Notable for Their Explosive Temperaments and Kindly Hearts.

In some recent reminiscences Mr. Henry G. Barnwell says that the two literary men of his acquaintance who possessed the greatest capacity for indignation were William Morris and Charles Reade. Morris was perhaps the more explosive; but his temperamental outbursts were soon over and had rarely any sequel. The violence of Charles Reade, though frequently fit, too, passed like a summer tempest; was sometimes the precursor of a prolonged literary or legal battle; for he had a passion for litigation.

"Assassination is too good for him; the miscreant ought to be boiled in oil!" Mr. Barnwell once heard Morris roaring as he came into his presence. Inquiry brought out the fact that the villainy for which such punishment was deemed suitable was the crime of placing the pockets of a new suit in their conventional position instead of arranging them in a novel and interesting manner, suggested by Morris. But the unimaginative tailor was not boiled; moreover, when, shortly afterward, he fell into difficulties, it was Morris who advanced him money enough to set him on his feet again.

Possibly Reade, who also was a generous-hearted man, might at need have shown equal magnanimity toward a cobbler who aroused his ire. The man had been recommended by his friend, Wilkie Collins, and the next time the two novelists met Reade lifted his voice from afar.

"Confound you!" he shouted irascibly. "That cobbler you sent to me is a fraud—a rascal—a rogue—a triple-dyed villain!" He ought to be choked with his own shoe pegs!"

Wilkie Collins, laughing, attempted some defense of his protégé; but Reade would not listen. Lifting his hands to heaven like an Oriental calling down the vengeance of the gods, he declared impressively, in true eastern style:

"May the heels of the conscienceless wretch who recommended such a cobbler be blistered, and may his joints be cramped! May bunions visit his great toe and corns sit upon his little one, and the wrath of the enemy destroy his sole!"

Then, satisfied with the achievement of an impromptu curse at once harmless and horrifying, he accepted Collins' invitation to luncheon, and the two walked amicably away together.

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H. N. AND M. N. WILLITS, JR.
Executors.

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ESTATE OF Enoch G. Allee, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of Enoch G. Allee late of St. Georges Hundred, deceased, were duly granted unto George W. Allee, on the Twenty-first day of January A. D., 1920, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payment to the Administrator without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Administrator on or before the Twenty-first day of January A. D., 1921, or abide by the law in this behalf.

GEORGE W. ALLEE,
Administrator

Address
MARTIN B. BURRIS,
Attorney-at-Law,
Middletown, Delaware.

ESTATE OF JOHN DOWNS, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of John DOWNS, late of Blackbird Hundred, deceased, were duly granted unto Martin B. Burris on the sixth day of January A. D., 1920 and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payment to the Administrator without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Administrator on or before the sixth day of January A. D., 1921, or abide by the law in this behalf.

MARTIN B. BURRIS,
Administrator.

Address
Middletown, Delaware.

ESTATE OF JOHN MONTGOMERY

Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of John Montgomery late of Appoquinimink Hundred, deceased, were duly granted unto Goldie O. Montgomery on the Twentieth day of February, A. D., 1920, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payment to the Administrator without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Administrator on or before the Twentieth day of February, A. D., 1921, or abide by the law in this behalf.

GOLDIE O. MONTGOMERY,
Administratrix.

Address
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Ford Building, Wilmington, Del.

ESTATE OF FRANK BURCHARD

Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of Frank Burchard late of Appoquinimink Hundred, deceased, were duly granted unto Sarah E. Burchard on the Second day of March A. D., 1920, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payment to the Administratrix without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Administratrix on or before the Second day of March A. D., 1921, or abide by the law in this behalf.

SARAH E. BURCHARD,
Administratrix.

Address
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ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. SCHWATKA

Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of William F. Schwatka late of Appoquinimink Hundred, deceased, were duly granted unto William H. Scott on the Eleventh day of March A. D., 1920 and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payment to the Administrator without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Administrator on or before the Eleventh day of March A. D., 1921, or abide by the law in this behalf.

WILLIAM H. SCOTT,
Administrator.

Address
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Delaware.

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Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Emily Ann Roberts late of St. Georges Hundred, deceased, were duly granted unto George L. Townsend, Jr., on the sixteenth day of March A. D., 1920 and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payment to the Executor without delay and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Executor on or before the Sixteenth day of March A. D., 1921, or abide by the law in this behalf.

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150	7,000
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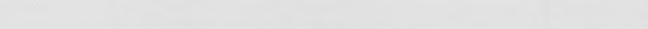
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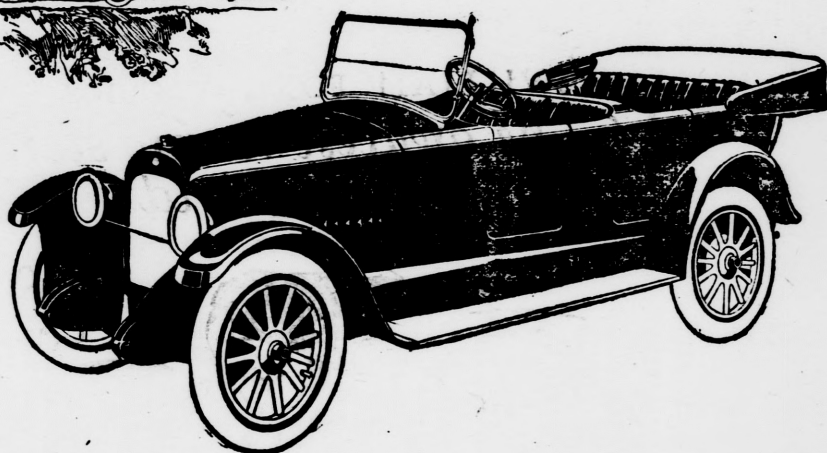
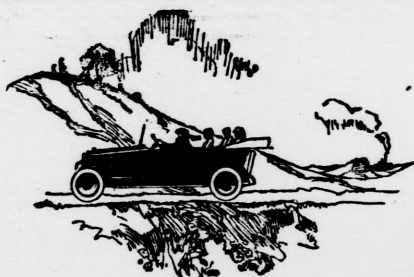
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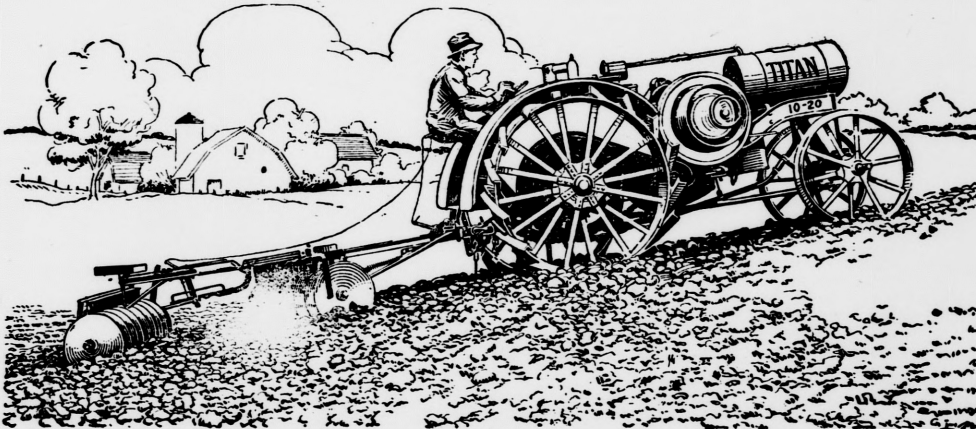
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What is pise? The word, which in its complete form is written pise de terre, betrays a French origin and, from its general appearance, might well suggest some affinity with the world of art. These preliminary impressions, however, will be found misleading. There is nothing peculiarly French in pise dwellings, though they are common enough in some parts of France, and reference to them abounds in French literature of the eighteenth century.

The word itself, traced to its Latin origin, apparently means nothing more artistic than "battered." Perhaps the simplest definition of pise is provided by Pliny the Elder, who calls it "earth battered between boards," meaning by boards a form such as may be used for concrete in construction work.

The Roman sage adds that it was an old and well-tried system of building and remarks that Hannibal used this material for watch towers on the tops of hills in Spain during his campaign.

Who knows whether it was not also in use when Cheops built his Great Pyramid; for there are prehistoric pise buildings in New Mexico and Arizona which, some say, date back almost to that period?

Certainly history cannot trace the system to its origin, and the pise dwellings now visible in France, Spain, America, the British colonies and elsewhere may give no complete indication of the extent to which this material was employed in other centuries. —Exchange.

INDIAN'S TRIBUTE TO MOTHER

Red-Skinned Fighter in World War Proves Worthy Descendant of Race of Chiefs.

Wounded-With-Many-Arrows is an Indian living in South Dakota.

According to an Indian custom, the first thing an Indian mother sees or says after her child is born may be chosen as the infant's name. The night of his birth, in April, 1891, the mother saw a warrior who had been wounded by many arrows; hence the name given to the new-born child.

Entering the world war in the armies of the great white father at Washington, the first thought of this copper-skinned descendant of a race of chiefs was of his mother, whom he named as the beneficiary in his \$10,000 government war risk insurance policy.

The mother's name is Susan-Loves-the-War and she lives at Wapola, S. D. She was proud that her son was among the first to respond to the call of the United States for soldiers to fight for their country; she was glad when he came back, unharmed, full of wonderful stories of the adventure through which he had passed. And she realized that he had, by allotment of pay and by his insurance policy, demonstrated that all he had was hers, as everything he was he owed to her.

Wounded-With-Many-Arrows might be called Indian-Good-to-His-Mother.

Big Money for Perfect Potatoes.

The perfect potato, which resists blight and other "spud" diseases, has been developed, according to Samuel Ryder, head of a well-known English seed firm.

He refused to give the name of the hybridist, but said he paid him \$12,000 for seed potatoes which wouldn't fill a peck measure.

"We have bought up all the hybridized seed of this expert," said Ryder. "The average potato yield in 1918 was four tons per acre in England. With the new seed, six pounds per root, or 33 tons per acre, can be produced. The full results of the perfect potato may not be reaped for two or three years."

New Matrimonial Idea.

Connecticut has a married couple living apart in two towns, the bride, who has advanced ideas, in one town, and the bridegroom, who has a good job and a big salary, in another. They decided to live in separate establishments and to visit each other over weekends or run away together, as one of them explains it, for several days whenever the mood seizes them. They have rented a third apartment in New York city, which they will share "in their play time." The bride retains her maiden name and title of Miss. It is her idea that man and wife should not live in the same house, and so get a surfeit of each other.—Boston Globe.

Many O'Briens.

A soldier named John J. O'Brien, writing to the war risk bureau about his insurance, failed to give his serial number or policy number, but said the papers would be easy to identify as his wife's name was Mary A. O'Brien. A search through the bureau files disclosed the names of 175 John J. O'Briens, and each of an even 50 of them had a wife named Mary A. O'Brien.

ARE RETURNING TO FARMS

Not Many of Uncle Sam's Fighters Have Succumbed to the Lure of the City.

Of America's mighty war forces of more than 4,500,000 men, 1,200,000, it is estimated, came from farms. Records in the bureau of war-risk insurance in Washington indicate that these farm-bred or farm-raised boys carried government life insurance amounting to over \$10,000,000.00. During the earlier demobilization it was so difficult to keep track of the discharged service men that it seemed as though a very large proportion of them did not return to their former addresses or homes. So many of the service men who had come from the farms seemed to be listening to the call of the city that it was feared more than one-half of them were not going back to the farms. Later the tide of migration set in toward the country, and now it is believed that the loss in man power to the farms, as the result of former service men sailing elsewhere, may not be more than 500,000.

MALTA IN HISTORY

Had Part in Each Step of Western Civilization.

Island Made Famous Forever When It Beat Back the Turkish Hordes in 1565—Deserving of Prominent Home Role.

"Perhaps no other by-product of the world war save the recovery of Jerusalem stirs the imagination so profoundly as the British announcement of home rule for Malta," says a bulletin of the National Geographic society, which explains:

"The Malta island group is a shrine of mythology, and of sacred and profane history. Calypso, vampire of Homer's word motion pictures, rescued the shipwrecked Ulysses, and employed her charms to make him stay on the island. St. Paul swam ashore there after his vessel ran aground. Publius, the island governor, according to Acts, 28, received and lodged him, and the apostle founded a Christian community before he departed.

"The date of Christ's birth is but the half-way point in Maltese chronology. Since its recorded history began ten nations have held sway over the coveted islands, beginning with the Phoenicians of Paul's time, and running a scale of Greeks, Carthaginians, Romans, Goths, Arabs, Germans, Spaniards and French, until the present sovereignty of the British.

"It has been said that Malta's chronicle holds, in microcosm, the history of Europe, and that its archeological remains mark each step in western civilization.

"But Malta was an actor, as well as a librarian of historic drama. Literally she became the savior of the western world when the Knights of Malta beat back the Turkish hordes during the famous siege of 1565. The alien knights, along with native Maltese, kept the blighted head of Moslem from crushing the lands which fostered those infant ideals of freedom which now are erected in England's concession.

"The triumph of that siege and the heroism displayed are unsurpassed. Of the 3,000 Maltese who fought with the knights, practically all were killed. Characteristic of the knights' valor was that of the defenders of Fort St. Elmo. Wounded and desperate, the few survivors of months of fighting went to a small chapel within the fort, embraced each other, received the eucharist, and prepared to die. The little company was cut off from all assistance, but fought on. Many fell with sword in hand.

"Fearing they would be exterminated before the assailants were beaten back, a Maltese was sent to swim across the harbor by night to inform the grand master of the danger. The messenger delivered his 'message to Garcia' by diving and swimming mostly under water. 'Hold the fort, or die fighting,' was the command he brought back. Every man obeyed—and died. But the consternation wrought by their frenzied resistance worked such havoc among the assailants that the news of it spread to other divisions of the Turkish forces, and turned the tide toward a Maltese victory.

"In command of the Turkish sea forces was Dragut, who rose from cabin boy and galley slave to be admiral of the Turkish navy, and was mortally wounded before Malta."

Deadly Snake in Bananas.

Patrons of a prosaic grocery store in a sedate Iowa community had an exciting taste of tropical adventure a few days ago. A bunch of bananas which had been ripening in the store for a week suddenly gave up a strange and brilliant snake, about three feet long and unpleasantly active. Taken in a glass-covered box to a local school, the reptile was identified as a bush master, most deadly of South American snakes. Its slender body is pinkish-yellow in color, with a row of large, diamond-shaped patches from head to tail, the latter being black, with stripes of pinkish-yellow. It is related to the better known ferocious, but grows even larger than that six-foot carrier of swift poison. Because of local prejudice against the visitor, it was chloroformed.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

MUCH LIKE WESTERN CITY

Tiflis, Capital of New Georgian Republic, by No Means Typical of the East.

Mr. Melville Chater, recording impressions in the National Geographic Magazine, admits that he was surprised when he arrived in Tiflis, capital of the new Georgian republic. He had expected a city more suggestive of the East, as the Western mind pictures it; but the Golovinsky prospect, the main thoroughfare through the heart of the city, stretched before him, "as handsome a bit of modern metropolitanism as can be found anywhere," and its restaurants, shops, opera, and what used to be the viceregal palace but which now flies the standard of the new nation, suggested at once the French adjective "chic." More than that, this new capital was brilliant with uniforms, Russian, Georgian, Armenian, British, and most picturesque of all, the Caucasian costume, with its broad-shouldered, wash-waisted coat, high, heeled boots, and astrakhan cap. One marveled at the load of weapons that completed it; a sword rattling and clanking with the wearer's martial stride, a brace of pistols, a pair of daggers, and a collection of what looked like enormous fountain pens, hung across the Caucasian bosom, but which turned out to be hollow tubes intended to be loaded with powder and shot. One must add stiff mustaches and a close-shaven skull to picture this Georgian in all his glory on the Golovinsky prospect of his national capital. Clothing for civilians is scarce and expensive in Tiflis, but the cast-off uniforms of military officers are for sale, and many a citizen in need of a new suit had bought himself an old uniform.

A REAL COOK

By M. ALLINE WEEKS.

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Anne's wedding was not unlike that of the other girls of her set—it was a gala of flowers, charming girls and beautiful gowns. Anne, herself, was more radiant than ever, although she seemed so very young to be married. She was a gay sort of girl, with no thought of anything but a good time. People wondered why she was marrying Doctor Jim, who was only beginning to have a career, and could not be expected to support her in the same style she had always lived in. But Anne loved Doctor Jim in her own sweet way, and vowed that "if a person could not be happy with Doctor Jim, then they certainly would never be happy anywhere."

The young married set with whom Anne frequently came in contact, talked of the cares of a household and how hard it was to keep a maid, and all the other bothersome details. Anne had really no idea in her little head what trials she would have, and often spoke of the lovely home she and Doctor Jim would have.

Doctor Jim had recently located in a large town about thirty miles from Anne's home, and had built a modern bungalow for their new home. Anne was perfectly happy when she thought of having a brand new house to furnish and of the new friends she would make.

Their wedding journey, by automobile, was very brief, owing to Dr. Jim's practice, and it was not long before they were settled in their new home. Dr. Jim's mother's furniture, of fine old mahogany, was moved into the little house, and with the wedding gifts and the contents of Anne's "hope chest" in place, they could well be proud to receive their friends there, as they did.

They installed what seemed to be a capable maid, who stayed for some time. But somehow things did not go right. Anne was incompetent to care for the details of the work and to look after the maid and gave up trying. This was certainly not the sort of home and life that Anne and Dr. Jim had anticipated, and everything went wrong.

Anne soon found that her callers of the young married set held very different views from her own. They talked of the latest new labor-saving devices in the kitchen, or the proper method of bringing up their latest. Anne began to feel ashamed of herself, to think that she could not cook, or make even the simplest of garments. She decided that something must be done. She must not lose Dr. Jim, for she had heard so many stories of how men had left home because it was not agreeable there. That night, in bed, she made up her mind what she would do, and the next morning, instead of lying in bed, she arose and ate breakfast with Dr. Jim.

"Jimmy, when you go to the convention next week I think I will visit Aunt Sarah for a short time."

"Sure; stay as long as you like dear, but be sure and come back," he said, as he smiled when he saw how pretty she looked.

Dr. Jim boarded at the hotel while Anne was away and spent his leisure hours in his lonely den, after the convention was over.

Anne's visit was certainly not for pleasure. She was up at six every morning, and wore gingham dresses and smudges of flour all the morning. By the end of two weeks she could make a respectable loaf of bread or a batch of doughnuts, of which Dr. Jim was very fond. She could roast and fry, boil and stew, and she really found pleasure in doing it all. The village seamstress was called in and a number of pretty and serviceable house dresses were made. Anne was then ready to go home armed with the latest and oldest cook books, and the assurance that she could cook a meal.

She arrived, tired but happy, late one night, and went directly to bed. The next morning she arose early, and slipped into one of her new dresses and started breakfast. Dr. Jim was still asleep. He awoke shortly, and as he sat up in bed a faint appetizing odor came to him. He sniffed once, then again, and then opened the hall door and took a great long sniff.

"Aha, somebody's getting breakfast today besides Lizzie. I never smelled anything like that in this house before," he said, as he quickly slipped into his clothes. He was tempted to investigate, but the other empty bed told the story.

It was a flushed but happy young woman who served breakfast that morning; delicious coffee, eggs, crisp bacon, and toast, all cooked fit for a king to eat.

"Do you really think I'm good for something after all?" said Anne, and his answer was true to the old adage, "Action speaks louder than words." After that Anne found that there was a great deal more pleasure in running her own home than in spending the afternoon or morning at the club.

Illuminated Fountain Pen.

In the tube of a fountain pen not extraordinarily large, a New York inventor finds room for the necessary ink well, a tiny incandescent lamp, and a miniature electric dry battery. The light shines out under the point of the pen, its source remaining invisible to the user's eyes, while it illuminates the spot of paper over which the pen is traveling. —Popular Mechanics Magazine.

May Use Concrete Coffins.

The corporation of the town of Middleborough, England, is considering the use of concrete coffins in local burial grounds as being lighter and cheaper than those made of wood.

His Class.

"Here's some health expert says we don't need sugar."

"He must be one of those guys who are always taking the sweetness out of life."

CUPID'S MISTAKE

By JACK LAWTON.

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The girl came, seated upon the back of a snow-white horse, down through an avenue of stately trees. Her golden hair gleamed beneath the close-fitting cap she wore, and her velvet habit seemed a part of the old-time picture she made. As Marianna reached the stone wall which inclosed her father's estate she looked over its top to where the sea sparkled in the sunshine. And as the clatter of hoofs came to a stop, a young man sprang nimbly to the top of the wall, and sat there, gazing at Marianna, all eager-eyed and smiling.

The young man wore a khaki coat and carried beneath his arm a mandolin. Unsmiling and serious, the girl regarded him; but as the breeze lifted the heavy hair from the young man's forehead and the engaging wistfulness of his countenance still besought her, Marianna came nearer and allowed him to assist her from the horse's back to a seat beside himself on the wall.

"Oh, princess," the young man said, earnestness underlying his whimsical tone, "I have waited long for thee. Even a poor minstrel may weary in patience."

"Don't, Tommy!" the girl cried sharply. "Do not remind me of the pretty game we have been playing. It must stop. Everything must stop. I may not come here to meet you any more. It was a reckless joy for us to indulge in. But I was so lonely in my father's great empty house; Tommy, you cannot know what it has meant to be imprisoned there all my life—no companions of my own age, only studies for diversion. Why, the day I rode down to the end of this path and found you here on the wall, singing—you remember, Tommy—and picking soft, thrilly notes on your mandolin, why—it was just like riding straight into a fairy story, Tommy, to a beautiful new adventure. You bowed and addressed me as 'Princess,' and when I asked who you might be, you replied: 'But a poor minstrel, your highness; at your service.' And when I came again and again to those happy, merry meetings, you confessed, sadly, that I was 'Highness' to you, because of my father's wealth. And you admitted that you were, in truth, a sort of poor minstrel, with a long journey to success before you, and not one earned penny to your name. We should have taken warning, boy, dear, that our delightful game of friendship could not last. This is, after all, a world of values and necessities, and even if I would give up my heritage and go away with you, Tommy, where and how could you take me? I am talking fast, dear, because I wish to say what I have to say quickly, and then—goodbye. For I must be goodby forever. I'll remember always those spring mornings, with the scent of apple blossoms in the air and you bending down over the wall to talk to me. How I shall hate apple blossoms, Tommy, and the memory of your songs will stay with me, to make me long for you. You mustn't hold my hands, dear—I need them to cover my face while I tell you the truth: I am to be married, Tommy, and that is why it is goodbye. I am to marry an old man, selected for me by my father before I had seen your face; a kind man of prominence, of whom I am all unworthy. Though I have never learned your name, dear, nor in the secret joy of my romance have I sought to learn it, still you know the place my father holds in the world of men and the proud place he would have me fill. Oh! my dear," the girl's sweet voice broke utterly, "if you were not, indeed, just a strolling minstrel you have professed to be, at the last I would have defied them. Willingly I would have gone with you to the humblest home. But see; you have exacted no promise from me, Tommy; you have not asked me to wait. We had better say goodbye now. I shall be married, dear, before these flowers have faded."

The young man loosed the girl's hands, only to clasp her closely in his arms.

"Listen," he said fiercely, "before these flowers fade, you will be married to me—me, your strolling minstrel. Why, sooner than see you married to that old man, good as he is, I'd carry you in my arms straight over the garden wall. We have met, dear heart, and loved, because it was to be. Cupid aimed his arrows well. And if the first one went astray, well, that was his mistake. We will go to your father now, Marianna, and tell him all."

The girl drew back trembling.

"You do not know my father," she whispered, "or his anger when frustrated."

The young man laughed exultantly as he lifted her down from the wall. "The old fellow whom your father wished you to marry is my uncle, dear," he said. "It was to please him that I became a continual student, so that I might fulfill the wish of his heart by succeeding him in politics. Last night we talked of you—he and I—and I told him of our love. I have a letter in my pocket from my uncle to your father. He is eager to give me my start. Later, all that he possesses shall be mine, because I have succeeded to his desire."

"I am sorry," murmured the girl, "for the little wound in his heart."

"That," the young man confidently responded, "is already healed, in our happiness."

Much Unproductive Land.

About one-fifth of a billion acres of the cutover land and woodland in the United States might be cleared up and the stumps removed so that the land would be available for productive farming. If all this agriculturally suitable forest and cutover land could be made into farms averaging 100 acres, it would provide 1,250,000 farms, an increase of about 20 per cent over the present number. It is believed unlikely that more than 50,000,000 acres, or enough for perhaps 300,000 farms, will be cleared of the

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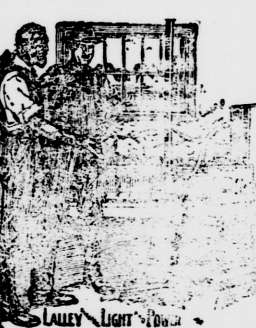
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